Minutes of Public Meeting of the Constable Ethics, Standards and Training Board April 15, 2015

A public meeting of the Constables Ethics, Standards and Training Board (CESTB) was convened on April 15, 2015 at 10:05 am at the offices of Capitol Consulting 818 North First Street Phoenix, AZ 85004. Present at the meeting were the following members of the CESTB: Constable Scott Tipton, Judge Gerald Williams and Constable Ron Myers. Present via teleconference were the following members of the CESTB - Constable John Nozar, Dan Field, Stuart Goodman and Christine Shipley. The following staff were present –Tracy Unmacht and Courtney LeVinus. Absent were the following members of the CESTB –Sheriff John Drum. Members of the public present were - Norman Jones, Gilbert Zermemo, CBS 5 Investigative Producer, and William Rucker. Members of the public present via teleconference were Todd Madeksza with the County Supervisors Association, Constable Ken Sumner, and Constable Mike Cobb.

The following matters were discussed, considered and decided at the meeting:

Minutes of Previous Meetings: Judge Williams made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 18, 2015 CESTB meeting. Constable Myers seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Financial Report: Chairman Tipton presented the financial report prepared by the Department of Administration for the month ending March 2015. The financial report was late and incomplete. The cash flow report was received at 8:00 pm the night before this meeting. The expense and revenue reports have not yet been received. Staff continues to press DOA for timely reports.

Constable Complaints:

Chairman Tipton stated with the upcoming change in Board members, subcommittees will not convene prior to the next Board meeting. He reported we received a number of new complaints since the last meeting, as well as a request from Mr. Rucker to reconsider the dismissal of complaints against Constable Clark.

Constable Myers recused himself from discussion regarding the complaints against Constable Doug Clark.

Request by Mr. Rucker for reconsideration of dismissal of Clark complaints: Judge Williams stated Constable Clark's responses to what he was doing and why have been vague and suggested sending him a letter asking for full responses to the specific questions of what he was doing, why he was there, and what happened.

CNA158-2015 – Clark by Mr. Rucker: Chairman Tipton outlined the complaint to the Board members. Judge Williams suggested federal statutes regarding illegal aliens is not in the purview of this Board, however the issue of use of county vehicle can be. The Board agreed a letter should be sent to Constable Clark requesting response to his personal use of the vehicle.

CNA156-2014 – Clark by Mr. Rucker: The complainant alleges there is a criminal investigation filed against Constable Clark but provided no evidence. The Board agreed it would not take action on the complaint until a determination can be made that there is an ongoing criminal investigation. Staff will investigate.

CNA159-2015 – Malles: Constable Myers recused himself from discussion of this complaint. The complaint was discussed and the Board agreed to proceed with requesting a response from the constable.

The Board discussed the status of the complaint again Constable Jimmie Munoz and subsequent referral to County Superior Court in February 2015. To date we have not received a response from the court. Staff will follow up.

Administration Report: Staff reported there are a number of equipment grants that were approved in August 2014 that we have not received payment requests for. Staff will send follow up letters to grantees.

Call to the Public:

Mr. Norman Jones provided public comment on the activities of Constable Douglas Clark.

Mr. William Rucker provided public comment on statements by the Board regarding the complaints he has filed against Constable Douglas Clark.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday May 20, 2015 at 10:00 am

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Dated this	day of	, 2015		
Constable Ethic	s, Standards an	d Training Board		
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Chairman Scott	Tipton			